


IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The paragraph bridging pages 7 and 8, please amend as follows:

 --Moreover, the pressure pump 22 with its motor 22' can be controlled via a signal and switching device, similar to the device 2, 2', 5, 5' illustrated in Fig. 4, for example, according to the requirements of an incoming metal strip 1. The pressure pump 22 takes in a liquid medium from the medium source 25 through the intake line 24.--